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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

[Docket Number DARS-2013-0011]

Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS); Radio Frequency Identification Advance Shipment Notices

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD)

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. DoD invites comments on: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information

technology. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved this information collection for use through August 31, 2013. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for use for three additional years beyond the current expiration date.

DATES: DoD will consider all comments received by [Insert date 60 days after date of publication in the Federal Register].

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by OMB Control Number 0704-0434, using any of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

E-mail: dfars@osd.mil. Include OMB Control Number 0704-0434 in the subject line of the message.

Fax: 571-372-6094.

Mail: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Attn: Mr.

Dustin Pitsch, OUSD(AT&L)DPAP(DARS), 3060 Defense Pentagon, Room

3B855, Washington, DC 20301-3060.

Comments received generally will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Dustin Pitsch,

571-372-6090. The information collection requirements addressed in this notice are available on the World Wide Web at:

http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dars/dfarspgi/current/index.html.

Paper copies are available from Mr. Dustin Pitsch,

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

<u>Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number</u>: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS), Part 211 and related clause at 252.211; Radio Frequency Identification Advance Shipment Notices, OMB Control Number 0704-0434.

<u>Needs and Uses</u>: DoD uses advance shipment notices for the shipment of material containing RFID tag data. DoD receiving personnel use the advance shipment notice to associate the unique identification encoded on the RFID tag with the corresponding shipment. Use of the RFID technology permits DoD an automated and sophisticated end-to-end supply chain, which has increased visibility of assets and permits delivery of supplies to the warfighter more quickly.

<u>Affected Public</u>: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 25,000

Responses Per Respondent: 3,981

Annual Responses: 101,515,500

Average Burden Per Response: Approximately 1.1 seconds

Annual Burden Hours: 31,556

Frequency: On Occasion.

Summary of Information Collection

The clause at DFARS 252.211-7006, Radio Frequency Identification Advance Shipment Notices, requires the contractor to ensure that the data on each passive RFID tag are unique and conforms to the requirements that they are readable and affixed to the appropriate location on the specific level of packaging in accordance with MIL-STD-129 tag placement specifications. The contractor shall encode an approved RFID tag using the appropriate instructions at the time of contract award. Regardless of the selected encoding scheme, the contractor is responsible for ensuring that each tag contains a globally unique identifier. The contractor shall electronically submit advance shipment notices with the RFID tag identification in advance of the shipment in accordance with the procedures at https://wawf.eb.mil/.

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